Acquisition of Erieye System by Pakistan

1312. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has almost finalized a deal with Sweden to acquire Erieye Radar System to match with India's Phalcons;

(b) if so, how Erieye is effective than Phalcons; and

(c) what is India's latest position of acquiring Phalcons from Israel?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) There is no credible information on the finalisation of a deal by Pakistan with Sweden for acquisition of Erieye Radar System.

(c) Government have concluded a Contract for the procurement of Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) aircraft.

Acquisition of Centrifuge for training of IAF pilots

1313. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that IAF is going to get new High G-Ultra modern human centrifuge simulators for aggressive aircrew training to its pilots;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this proposal from IAF is pending in the Ministry for quite some time;

(c) when the proposal was submitted to the Ministry; and

(d) whether the new simulators are going to be a replacement of old ones at Delhi, Hyderabad and Bangalore?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (d) Government have approved the procurement of a new Human Centrifuge for the Air Force to installed at Institute of Aerospace Medicine, Bangalore as a replacement of the existing centrifuge.